

VERMONT STILL

SHY \$13,000 ON
THE WAR DRIVETwo Days Left to Carry the
State Over the TopESSEX COUNTY
MAKES A RECORDTwo Hundred Cities and
Towns Yet to Complete
Their Quota(Special to The Caledonian)
Barre, Vt., Nov. 19.—Chairman Hin-
man of the publicity department re-
ports that Vermont lacks \$13,000 to
make the requested quota of \$707,-
559.Two days' extension has saved
Vermont from falling down and today
and tomorrow must be used to com-
plete the quota and retain Vermont's
reputation.Following are the amounts thus far
pledged by counties:

Addison	27,508
Bennington	30,570
Caledonia	43,105
Chittenden	158,507
Essex	8,605
Franklin	36,869
Grand Isle	2,138
Lamoille	19,143
Orange	18,320
Orleans	21,943
Rutland	125,380
Washington	75,914
Windham	50,000
Windsor	76,408

Total \$694,410

Essex county under the leadership
of County Chairman, Harry Marshall
of Canaan, has furnished one of the
surprises of the state in exceeding its
maximum quota by 30 per cent.Fifty-three cities and towns have
gone over the top, leaving over 200 to
fulfill their obligations.

DELIBERATE MURDER

That Is the Policy of the Bolsheviks
in RussiaLondon, Nov. 18.—Information at
the disposal of the British govern-
ment, the Foreign Secretary, Rt. Hon.
Mr. Balfour declared in the House of
Commons today, is to the effect that
the deliberate policy of the Bolshevik
Government in Russia is one of ex-
termination by starvation, murder and
the wholesale execution of all persons
who do not support their regime.CARRIED 13 TONS OF
FOOD TO ARMIESHow the Air Forces Helped Feed the
Belgian ArmyDunkirk, France, Oct. 29.—(Corres-
pondence of the Associated Press.)
Thirteen tons of food was carried by
Belgian Air Forces to several di-
visions of the British Royal Air Force and
the divisions of the Belgian army which
had already advanced beyond the
Houthulst Forest in Belgium, early in
the Allied offensive in the Belgian
sector, and sustained those troops
during the period in which they were
cut off from supplies owing to im-
passable roads. This is believed to
be the largest scale in which supplies
were ever delivered to troops by air-
plane.Continuous rain, shell fire and ar-
tillery fire had ground the roads out of
existence. They were trans-
formed into channels of deep mud.
By evening the general in command
of the Belgian forces reported that
supplies of food had been exhausted.
Would it be possible, he enquired, to
send food up by airplane?The answer was that it would and
the task was assigned to the Belgian
Air Force and to the Fifth Group of
the British Royal Air Force. Their
job was to deposit army rations at a
point to which nothing but a bird or
an airplane could penetrate.It has been done before, of course;
the garrison of Kut received supplies
by air, and ammunition and the like
have been dropped at various places.
But it had never been attempted on
such a scale.The case of rations were broken
up into appropriate parcels and these
were packed in sacks of earth to
cushion them for the fall; while upon
the front the hungry divisions pre-
pared the dumping grounds and
marked them with large white
crosses.Some eighty machines shared the
work between them, including a
squadron of the Fifth Group's two-
seaters. They lifted their loads
easily, and one by one they dipped
to the front—it was the front, too,
and close to the line—and dropped
them overboard to the cheering re-
ception committees below and re-
turned. Only one machine, attacked by
a German machine-gun from the
ground—it was as close to the front
as that—had to land; and by 11 a. m.
the General reported that all his units
had been supplied.LAST LETTER FROM
ARTHUR BARTLETTThe Danville Boy Writes Home
from Camp Grant, Ill.The Caledonian is privileged to
publish the last letter written by
Arthur Bartlett to his mother,
Mrs. Ida Bartlett of Danville. The
young man was at the Central Om-
cers' Training School, Camp Grant,
Ill., and died of pneumonia at the
base hospital on October 2.Dear Mother:
A few lines to give you an idea of
what I am doing and just what sort
of a school this is.Camp Grant is about three miles
from Rockford city, a city of about
75,000 population.The camp is called one of the best
in the United States and at present
there are about 50,000 in training
here and more coming continuously
as about 7,000,000 is being expended
to enlarge it.There are 2,000 workmen on the
job and double that number are de-
sired as soon as they can be procured.
These buildings will take care of
about 24,000 more men. As soon as
the buildings are finished they will
be used by the Central Officers' Train-
ing School, which will mean that we
will probably have to change quarters
before our four months' course is
completed.As this section is very level it is
possible to make nearly a perfect ar-
rangement of buildings, which has
been done. All streets are named and
numbered the same as in a city, and
principal streets are of cement, mak-
ing a very good appearance. There
is the usual Liberty Theatre, a great
many Y. M. C. A. and K. C. build-
ings.Now as regards our school in par-
ticular, it's a four months' course and
all those passing at the end of that
time are commissioned second lieutenants.
There are about 15,000 en-
rolled here to start forming the 1st
Battalion and is divided into six com-
panies. In a month another 15,000
will arrive, which will be the 2nd
Battalion, and so on for the third and
fourth months. Then when the 1st
Battalion leaves another 1st will take
its place in perfect rotation.Our barracks are very comfortably
steam heated and we have a dining
hall for each company. As regards
cots, one of the things that's next to
a soldier's heart, they have started in
to feed us fine. Hope they keep it
up.We are to be issued woolen cloth-
ing at once and a complete equip-
ment within a week or so. That is
I mean mess kit and gun etc.A rotation of the men is used to
choose acting corporals, sergeants
and lieutenants for the company that
all may have the experience. A small
red button signifies a corporal, large
red a sergeant, and a blue button a
lieutenant. The lieutenants are on
for two days and the non-coms for
one week. Our hours are from 5.30
a. m. to 9.00 p. m. of studying. And
I guess we will need all the study
time we can get for they have given
us only 40 sections of the Infantry
Drill Regulations to learn by heart
and besides 25 others to know and
one paragraph in Non-Com Manual
to learn by Wednesday, when our
real work begins. In the meantime
we are getting organized. Rigid
discipline is the keynote of the train-
ing, and every minute thing is no-
ticed. The candidates are from all
branches of service, and from all
corners of the United States. Many
of them are of quite a long training,
while some are of only a few months.
There are some fine fellows. And
the main thing is that I like in spite
of the fact that I am quite a way
from home and among strangers, as
the bunch that came from the Uni-
versity of Vermont have been sepa-
rated and there are only two of us
in this company.Had a narrow escape from a bad
accident when we came in on the
train from Buffalo. About four or
five miles out of Cleveland before we
got speeded up a coach was derailed,
caused by a broken axle. No harm
was done except for a little shake-
up, but I hate to think of the conse-
quences had it happened five minutes
later when we had attained a speed
of sixty miles per hour that is cus-
tomary as soon as it gets that far
out.We were used fine all along the
route. Red Cross canteen workers
met us at Utica, Syracuse, Buffalo,
and Cleveland and gave us candy,
apples, chewing gum and cigarettes.
I struck it lucky on the train, being
given a lunch and some fruit by two
different crews, and a young lady gave
me a pound box of chocolates, an-
other a magazine with her address and
stating she would send me something
if I would write. Guess I had bet-
ter, eh?We had from 4.30 till 8.00 in Chi-
cago and I used the time looking
around instead of sleeping as I
should, as we left Burlington at 11:00
Friday night and I hadn't been able
to sleep any in the meantime and
that was Sunday morning.There is going to be lots to do but
I think I shall like it. Am feeling
O. K. except that I am a little tired.
Will write again the last of the
week.With love,
ARTHUR
Sunday, Sept. 22, 1918.The result of the splendid work by
many solicitors in the United War
Work campaign yesterday were 323
new givers and \$1,839.91. The totals
now are 1927 contributors and \$23,-
296.66.It will never do to lose this race
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Have you given all you should?
Unless everyone does their full
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One more lift now EVERYBODY.
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